MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
NR-ELIGIBILITY REVIEW FORM

Property Name: _____ Inventory Number: ~~XS0062~~ CH- 993

Address: 9190 Cherry Lane, Charles County - in the vicinity of La Plata

Owner: ~~Gray, Melvin W and Patricia H~~ Jennifer Jolliffe

Tax Parcel Number: 334 Lot 1A   Tax Map Number: 44

Project   MD 301   Agency   State Highway Administration (SHA)

Site visit by SHA Staff: X no __ yes   Name: _____ Date: _____

Eligibility recommended __   Eligibility **not** recommended   X

Criteria __ A __ B __ C __ D   Considerations: __ A __ B __ C __ D __ E __ F __ G X None

Is property located within a historic district?: X no __ yes   Name of District: _____

Is district listed?: X no __ yes

Documentation on the property/district is presented in: Project Review and Compliance Files

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Description of Property and Eligibility Determination *(Use continuation sheet if necessary and attach map and photo)*

9190 Cherry Lane is a two-story, Colonial Revival-style, wood frame house. The main section of the house has a side gambrel roof with a front gambrel roof, two-story projecting bay on the east end of its primary elevation (south). A shed roof extension projects from the base of the side gambrel roof to form a three-bay wide porch. Square columns with arched lintels support the porch. Three front gable roof dormers pierce the gambrel roof above. The entrance, flanked by sidelights, is set to the east, adjacent to the projecting bay. A rough-cut, random laid stone chimney rises along the east elevation of this section. Set back from the main elevation, beyond the chimney, is a one-and-one-half-story garage. The garage has an asymmetrical side gable roof, with the long side to the south. Three front gable roof dormers pierce the roof. The roof continues past the front wall to form a three-bay porch. The porch is supported by square columns with arched lintels. A door flanked by sidelights occupies the westernmost bay, while the two eastern bays contain paneled overhead doors with fanlights.

Towards the end of the first quarter of the 20th century, road improvements and developments contributed to the suburbanization of La Plata. In particular, the Robert Crain Highway attracted new development to older

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Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services	**Date**
Reviewer, NR Program	**Date**

communities along its corridor. The Robert Crain Highway was completed in 1927 and it provided the most direct way to Baltimore and points north of Charles County. Crain Highway brought commercial development on La Plata's west side and contributed to Charles County seat's overall growth in the 1920s and 1930s. With the introduction of the Harry W. Nice Bridge in 1940, Crain Highway, now known as U.S. 301, was transformed from a local road into a bypass for traffic traveling between Florida and New York.

Although Charles County was still primarily rural, by the 1930's, La Plata began to grow significantly because of the development of Crain Highway. Non-agricultural business began to increase around La Plata and the county seat's position within Charles County became economically more diverse. Development, including housing, increased as a result of Crain Highway and the influx of new businesses and investment into the area.

World War II and the increasing dependence upon motor vehicles played a very important role in La Plata's community development. Charles County continued its relative isolation from large-scale residential and commercial development until after Crain Highway was dualized and designated U.S. 301 in the 1960s.

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Built circa 1945, this Colonial Revival-style dwelling is not eligible for the National Register. While it is typical of the residential development surrounding La Plata, this resource lacks significance related to events, persons, or architecture. Criterion D, information potential, was not assessed for this study.

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9190 Cherry Lane, La Plata
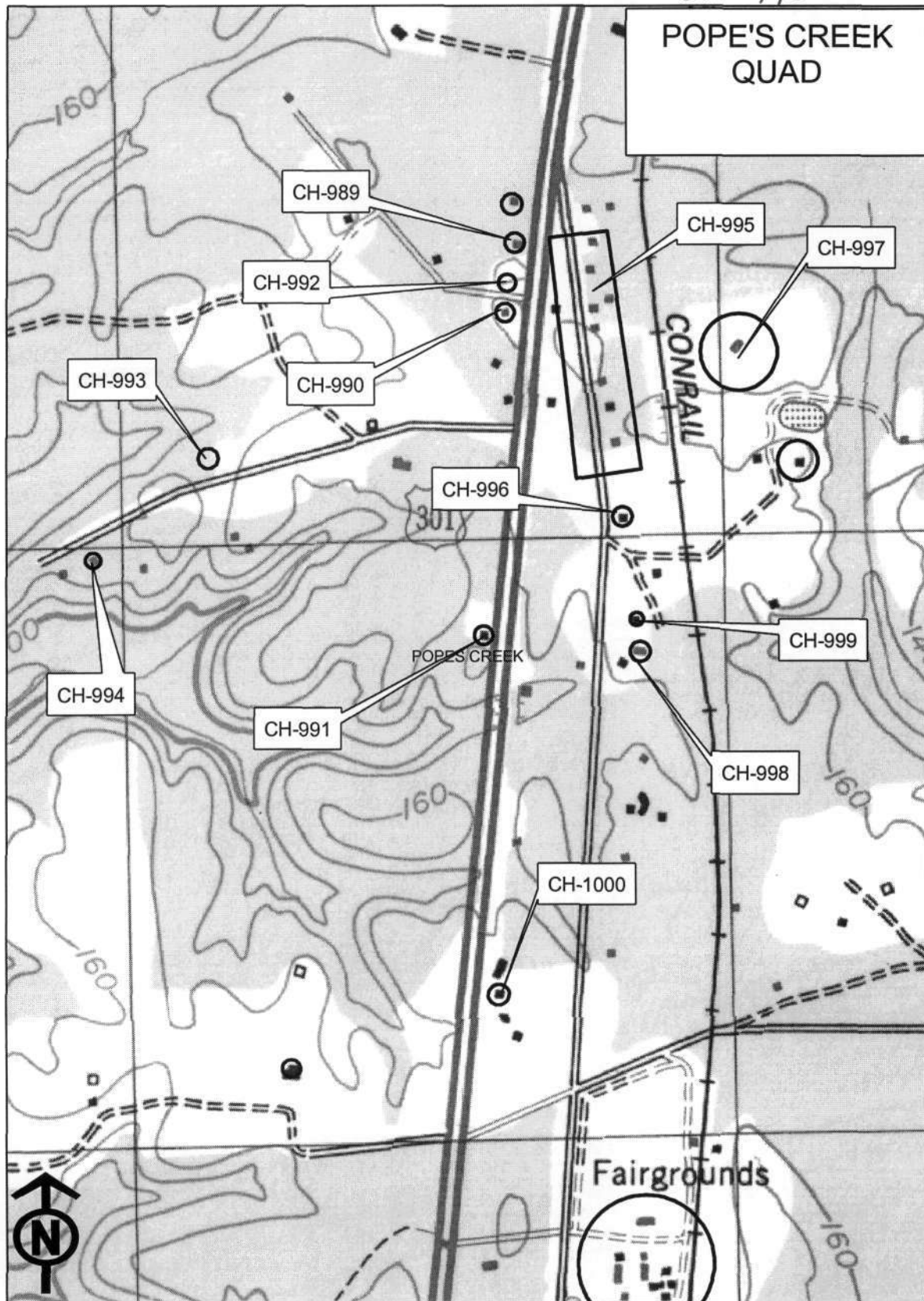Popes Creek Quadrangle, 1953 (Photorevised 1974)
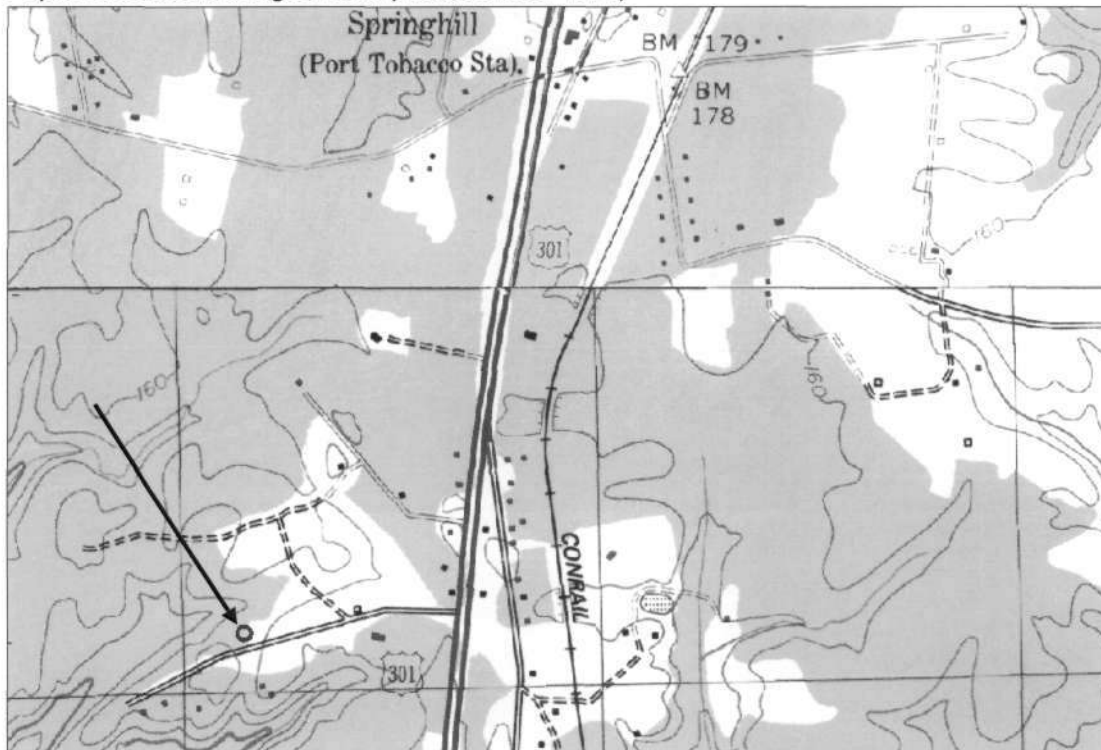
Charles County Tax Map 44, p. 334, Lot 1A
(built 1989, per tax records)

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View of South elevation.
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